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NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION

(PCT Rule 61.2)

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

To:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 United States Patent and Trademark
 Office
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in its capacity as elected Office

Date of mailing (day/month/year) 29 August 2000 (29.08.00)	
International application No. PCT/EP99/09614	Applicant's or agent's file reference PG3604/ PCT
International filing date (day/month/year) 08 December 1999 (08.12.99)	Priority date (day/month/year) 22 January 1999 (22.01.99)
Applicant RAND, Paul, Kenneth	

1. The designated Office is hereby notified of its election made:

☒ in the demand filed with the International Preliminary Examining Authority on:

03 August 2000 (03.08.00)

☐ in a notice effecting later election filed with the International Bureau on:2. The election ☒ was☐ was not

made before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date or, where Rule 32 applies, within the time limit under Rule 32.2(b).

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NOTIFICATION OF THE RECORDING
OF A CHANGE(PCT Rule 92bis.1 and
Administrative Instructions, Section 422)

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

To:

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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF
THE INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY
EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Rule 71.1)

Date of mailing
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Applicant's or agent's file reference
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08/12/1999

Priority date (day/month/year)
22/01/1999

Applicant
GLAXO GROUP LIMITED et al.

1. The applicant is hereby notified that this International Preliminary Examining Authority transmits herewith the international preliminary examination report and its annexes, if any, established on the international application.
2. A copy of the report and its annexes, if any, is being transmitted to the International Bureau for communication to all the elected Offices.
3. Where required by any of the elected Offices, the International Bureau will prepare an English translation of the report (but not of any annexes) and will transmit such translation to those Offices.

4. REMINDER

The applicant must enter the national phase before each elected Office by performing certain acts (filing translations and paying national fees) within 30 months from the priority date (or later in some Offices) (Article 39(1)) (see also the reminder sent by the International Bureau with Form PCT/IB/301).

Where a translation of the international application must be furnished to an elected Office, that translation must contain a translation of any annexes to the international preliminary examination report. It is the applicant's responsibility to prepare and furnish such translation directly to each elected Office concerned.

For further details on the applicable time limits and requirements of the elected Offices, see Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

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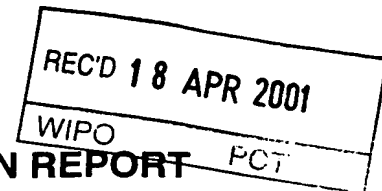
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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)



Applicant's or agent's file reference PG3604/ PCT	FOR FURTHER ACTION See Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT/IPEA/416)	
International application No. PCT/EP99/09614	International filing date (day/month/year) 08/12/1999	Priority date (day/month/year) 22/01/1999
International Patent Classification (IPC) or national classification and IPC A61M15/00		
Applicant GLAXO GROUP LIMITED et al.		



1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.
2. This REPORT consists of a total of 6 sheets, including this cover sheet.

☐ This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e. sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).

These annexes consist of a total of sheets.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- I ☒ Basis of the report
- II ☐ Priority
- III ☒ Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- IV ☐ Lack of unity of invention
- V ☐ Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- VI ☐ Certain documents cited
- VII ☒ Certain defects in the international application
- VIII ☒ Certain observations on the international application

Date of submission of the demand 03/08/2000	Date of completion of this report 12.04.2001
Name and mailing address of the international preliminary examining authority:  European Patent Office D-80298 Munich Tel. +49 89 2399 - 0 Tx: 523656 epmu d Fax: +49 89 2399 - 4465	Authorized officer Ceccarelli, D Telephone No. +49 89 2399 2653 

INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

International application No. PCT/EP99/09614

I. Basis of the report

1. With regard to the **elements** of the international application (*Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17)*):

Description, pages:

1-16 as originally filed

Claims, No.:

1-43 as originally filed

Drawings, sheets:

1/8-8/8 as originally filed

2. With regard to the **language**, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language: , which is:

- ☐ the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of the international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).
- ☐ the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).
- ☐ the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rule 55.2 and/or 55.3).

3. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, the international preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

- ☐ contained in the international application in written form.
- ☐ filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
- ☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.
- ☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.
- ☐ The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.
- ☐ The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.

4. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

- ☐ the description, pages:
- ☐ the claims, Nos.:

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☐ the drawings, sheets:

5. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed (Rule 70.2(c)):

(Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.)

6. Additional observations, if necessary:

III. Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability

1. The questions whether the claimed invention appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step (to be non-obvious), or to be industrially applicable have not been examined in respect of:

☐ the entire international application.

☒ claims Nos. 1-43.

because:

☒ the said international application, or the said claims Nos. 43 relate to the following subject matter which does not require an international preliminary examination (*specify*):
see separate sheet

☒ the description, claims or drawings (*indicate particular elements below*) or said claims Nos. 1-42 are so unclear that no meaningful opinion could be formed (*specify*):
see separate sheet

☐ the claims, or said claims Nos. are so inadequately supported by the description that no meaningful opinion could be formed.

☒ no international search report has been established for the said claims Nos. 43.

2. A meaningful international preliminary examination cannot be carried out due to the failure of the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing to comply with the standard provided for in Annex C of the Administrative Instructions:

☐ the written form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.

☐ the computer readable form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.

VII. Certain defects in the international application

The following defects in the form or contents of the international application have been noted:

see separate sheet

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VIII. Certain observations on the international application

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made:

see separate sheet

Re Item III

Non-establishment of report with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability

1. Although claims 1, 19, 20, 21, 26, 33 and 41 have been drafted as separate independent claims, they appear to relate effectively to the same subject-matter, i.e. overlapping scope, and to differ from each other only with regard to the definition of the subject-matter for which protection is sought or in respect of the terminology used for the features of that subject-matter.

The aforementioned claims therefore lack conciseness.

Moreover, lack of clarity of the claims as a whole arises, since the plurality of independent claims makes it difficult, if not impossible, to determine the matter for which protection is sought, and places an undue burden on others seeking to establish the extent of the protection.

Hence, claims 1, 19, 20, 21, 26, 33 and 41 do not meet the requirements of Article 6 PCT.

2. **No examination according to Article 33(1) PCT has been carried out for claim 43**, as it defines a method for treating the human body (Rule 67.1(iv) PCT). Moreover no meaningful examination could have anyway been carried out for said claim 43, since no Search Report has been established for it (Rule 66.1(e) PCT).

Re Item VII

Certain defects in the international application

1. The following documents should have been cited in the description since they represent the state of the art in the field of the application (Rule 5.1(a)(ii) PCT):

D1: DE 38 23 535 A (RENTS) 18 January 1990 (1990-01-18)

D2: WO 97 37693 A (ARAUJO DE SOUSA) 16 October 1997 (1997-10-16)

D3: US-A-5 709 202 (LLOYD ET AL.) 20 January 1998 (1998-01-20)

D4: US-A-5 619 984 (HODSON ET AL.) 15 April 1997 (1997-04-15)

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2. The claims do not contain any reference signs to the figures as normally prescribed in Rule 6.2(b) PCT.
3. The independent claim is not drafted in the two-part form, as normally required by Rule 6.3(b) PCT.

Re Item VIII

Certain observations on the international application

The vague and imprecise statement in the description on page 16 lines 1-3 implies that the subject-matter for which protection is sought may be different to that defined by the claims, thereby resulting in lack of clarity (Article 6 PCT) when used to interpret them (see also the PCT Guidelines, III-4.3a).

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REQUEST

The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Paris Cooperation Treaty

PTOPet Rec'd 20 JUL 2001

For receiving Office use only

International Application No.

International Filing Date

Name of receiving Office and "PCT International Application"

Applicant's or agent's file reference
(if desired) (12 characters maximum) PG3604/ PCT

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	Inhalation device	
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This person is applicant for the purposes of: <input type="checkbox"/> all designated States <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> all designated States except the United States of America <input type="checkbox"/> the United States of America only <input type="checkbox"/> the States indicated in the Supplemental Box		
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Box No. V DESIGNATION OF STATES

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any other State

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Precautionary Designation Statement: In addition to the designations made above, the applicant also makes under Rule 4.9(b) all other designations which would be permitted under the PCT except any designation(s) indicated in the Supplemental Box as being excluded from the scope of this statement. The applicant declares that those additional designations are subject to confirmation and that any designation which is not confirmed before the expiration of 15 months from the priority date is to be regarded as withdrawn by the applicant at the expiration of that time limit. (Confirmation of a designation consists of the filing of a notice specifying that designation and the payment of the designation and confirmation fees. Confirmation must reach the receiving Office within the 15-month time limit.)


Box No. VI PRIORITY CLAIM		<input type="checkbox"/> Further priority claims are indicated in the Supplemental Box		
		Where earlier application is		
Filing Date of Earlier Application (day/month/year)	Number of earlier application	national application: country	regional application: * regional Office	international application: receiving Office
item (1) (22.01.99) 22 January 1999	9901282.5	GB		
item (2) (16.02.99) 16 February 1999	9903342.5	GB		

☐ The receiving Office is requested to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau a certified copy of the earlier application(s) (only if the earlier application was filed with the Office which for the purposes of the present international application is the receiving Office) identified above as item(s): _____

* Where the earlier application is an ARIPO application, it is mandatory to indicate in the Supplemental Box at least one country party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property for which that earlier application was filed (Rule 4.10(b)(ii)). See Supplemental Box.

Box No. VII INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY	
Choice of International Searching Authority (ISA) (if two or more International Searching Authorities are competent to carry out the international search, indicate the Authority chosen; the two-letter code may be used): ISA/	Request to use results of earlier search; reference to that search (if an earlier search has been carried out by or requested from the International Searching Authority): Date (day/month/year) Number Country (or regional office)

Box. VIII CHECK LIST; LANGUAGE OF FILING	
This international application contains the following number of sheets: request : 3 description (excluding sequence listing part) : 16 claims : 7 abstract : 1 drawings : 8 sequence listing part of description : _____ Total number of sheets : 35	This international application is accompanied by the item(s) marked below: 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fee calculation sheet 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> separate signed power of attorney 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> copy of general power of attorney; reference number, if any: 4. <input type="checkbox"/> statement explaining lack of signature 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> priority documents (2) identified in Box No. VI as item(s): 2 6. <input type="checkbox"/> translation of international application into (language): 7. <input type="checkbox"/> separate indications concerning deposited microorganism or other biological material 8. <input type="checkbox"/> nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing in computer readable form 9. <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify):
Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract: None	Language of filing of the international application: English

Box No. IX SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT OR AGENT	
Next to each signature, indicate the name of the person signing and the capacity in which the person signs (if such capacity is not obvious from reading the request).	
Christopher Gerard Pike Agent for the Applicants	

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1. Date of actual receipt of the purported international application	2. Drawings <input type="checkbox"/> received: <input type="checkbox"/> not received:
3. Corrected date of actual receipt due to later but timely received papers or drawings completing the purported international application:	
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PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

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Medicament cartridge for use in an inhalation device comprising a planar, rigid carrier circular in shape having a plurality of medicament retainers in a spiral path arrangement thereon, and an inhalation device comprising such a medicament cartridge

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Medicament cartridge for use in an inhalation device comprising an elongate carrier having a plurality of medicament doses thereon and being storable in a flat spiral configuration and extendable as a helix, and an inhalation device comprising such a medicament cartridge

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(57) Abstract

There is provided a medicament cartridge for use in an inhalation device comprising a carrier having a plurality of medicament retainers in a spiral path arrangement. Typically, the carrier is substantially planar. In one embodiment the carrier comprises an elongate carrier storable in a flat spiral configuration and extendable as a helix. There is also provided an inhalation device comprising a housing having an air inlet, an air outlet, an airway therebetween and a medicament carrier having a plurality of medicament retainers in a spiral path arrangement. A mover is provided for moving the medicament carrier relative to the housing so as to bring successive medicament retainers individually into communication with the airway.

